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Lichstein Case; Three Defendants Committed for Trial

The trial of six Eyre farmers charged with conspiracy to murder their neighbor and quondam friend Abraham Lichstein, took place at Kindersley on January 30, before Magistrate Knott.

After hearing a vast amount of evidence the magistrate committed for trial three of the defendants, A. Feinburg, M. Feinburg and R. Feinstein. The other three, Max Klein, Joe Brant were discharged. The two Feinburgs and Feinstein are at liberty, each having secured bail to the extent of \$2000 the amount imposed by the Magistrate—the bail being furnished by Max Kahan, K. Dwyer, Max Klein and Joe Brant. J. P. Dickson, of Kindersley, appeared for Lichstein and Mr. Murray, of Murray & Walker, Alaska, conducted the defence.

Another charge of non-support had been laid against Lichstein, and he was to appear before a magistrate at Leader, on this charge on Friday last, February 6.

Annual Masquerade

Ball Postponed

Owing to the amount of sickness, prevalent in this and our neighboring districts it has been decided to postpone the annual masquerade ball. The day now set for this popular event is Wednesday, March 17, St. Patrick's day. This day is looked upon as a general relaxation day during the Lent period, and the day should be a popular choice among those who yearly look forward to this enjoyable event.

LEADER DEPARTMENTAL

STORE DESTROYED BY FIRE

What proved to be the most disastrous fire within recent times in Leader, occurred on Wednesday last, when the Wilence Department Store was burned to the ground.

The cause of the fire has given rise to many conjectures, but one generally accepted as the most probable cause of the outbreak is that something went amiss with the generator of the lighting plant and within a few minutes the whole of the west wall inside was a mass of flames. So sudden was the outbreak and so fierce the heat that it was with difficulty that the clerks and others within the store made their escape leaving everything behind; with the exception of one of the ledgers, which was rescued with great difficulty.

At a few minutes after 5 p.m., the fire whistle sounded the alarm and in a short space of time streams of water were pouring on to the building. Soon it was seen, however, that it was doomed and the brigade made efforts to confine the fire. Every member, supplemented by many willing volunteers, worked to the limit of their powers and succeeded in gaining the mastery. The water supply was good and the fire engine did all that was expected of it and then some.

The loss is variously estimated and there may be doubt as to its extent, a large stock

Influenza Re-appears

But in Milder Form

The Spanish influenza has visited us once more and gone the rounds of our town almost before we knew of its presence here. The form is not as virulent as it was on its last appearance. No really serious cases so far have developed. Patients are now either convalescent or are doing well. Dr. MacCharles is of the opinion that it people will but take care and not run unnecessary risks, there is no cause for alarm and we have passed through the worst stage of the epidemic.

Takes Over Ownership

of Princess Confectionery

R. N. Kirkpatrick, of Lethbridge, Alta., arrived in town on Wednesday of last week, and has taken over the proprietorship of the Princess Confectionery. Mr. Kirkpatrick, a returned veteran and saw four years service as a member of the Imp. Royal Garrison Artillery. He is a member of the Lethbridge branch of the G.W. F.A. and will be pleased to meet any members of that organization at his business establishment. He is expecting his wife to join him here in the immediate future.

Thanks Citizens for Patronage

Albert Lallas, of the Princess Confectionery, left on Wednesday morning for Regina, where he will assist his partners in their new catering business. Mr. Lallas, on behalf of himself and his partners, wishes to thank the people of this town and district for the patronage given them during the time they were in business here, and also for the goodwill accorded them during their stay here.

having only been received and stored a few hours previous to the outbreak. —Enterprise, Leader.

Anglican Church

Services will be held in Empress, on Sunday, Feb. 15, 1920, as follows:

Holy Communion and address, 11 a.m.
Evensong and sermon, 7.30 p.m.

L. J. Tatham,
Priest in Charge.

N. D. Storey, received word this week of the death of his sister, Mrs. John Bowden, of Ridgeway, Ont. Death occurred on Monday, February 9, from influenza after a brief illness. Two children and the husband mourn the death of a mother and wife. Mr. Storey himself, is in a convalescent state, and this unexpected bereavement was a severe blow for him.

Atlee Grain Buyer Dies From "Flu"

The death is reported from Atlee, of C. Lloyd, a grain buyer there. The deceased man is reported to have been a prominent member of the Woodmen's Society. He has been married but a short period. Influenza was the cause of his death. His wife was also reported as being in a critical stage of the same illness.

Everybody in the village of Atlee, almost without exception, are reported to either to have had the "flu" or to be suffering from that disease.

Attention !

To residents of Empress and also brother G. W. V's. Having taken over the Princess Confectionery I solicit your business for

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AN ENJOYABLE PRODUCTION

Those who attended the musical offering, "I Love A Lassie," at the Grand Theatre, on Wednesday evening, spent an enjoyable time. The Company is one of the best that has shown here. The vocal renderings were excellent, and the humorous patter and singing of Billy Oswald, had the audience in a mirthful vein during the whole course of the comedy.

Ever Notice This

Whirl-gig of Time

The farmer boy wants to be a school teacher.

The school teacher hopes to be an editor.

The editor would like to be a banker.

The banker would like to be a trust magnate.

And every trust magnate hopes some day to own a farm and have chickens, ows and pigs.—The Office Dog.

Rex Williamson, who has been filling the position of junior in the local branch of the Bank of Commerce, left on Wednesday for Swift Current, having been transferred to the bank's branch there.

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35c can; 3 for 1.00

Canned Kraut, 25c
7lbs Can. Corn on Cob . . . 90c

Gl. can. Apples 80c
1-2 gal Pure Maple Syrup . . . 1.50

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THURSDAY, Feb. 12, 1920

U.F.A. CONVENTION

The annual convention of
Med. Hat Political Association,
was held at the Sandstone Hall,
Calgary, on Jan. 19. Morning,
afternoon and evening sessions
were held, the evening sessions
continuing well past midnight.

In spite of cold, stormy
weather and many other diffi-
culties, a very large delegation
was in attendance. 180 dele-
gates were present from the
5 divisions. Division No. 2 al-
though the smallest division in
the constituency were repre-
sented by over 50 delegates.

Enthusiasm ran very high
throughout the session, the
Political Executive especially
coming in for a great deal of
criticism. The constitution of
the association adopted at last
year's convention came in for
its share of criticism, while
nearly all of the amendments
proposed by the Board of Direc-
tors, some of them very radical,
were passed.

A convention of the Political
Association of the province was
demanded with a view to dis-
solving the executive. If this
could not be accomplished, Med.
Hat expressed its determina-
tion to assume its share of the
responsibility to date and with-
draw from the provincial asso-
ciation.

A resolution was introduced
asking that all political activi-
ties now being handled by the
Prov. Political Executive be
transferred to the central U. F.
A. Board. This was defeated
by an almost unanimous vote,
the delegates voicing their
opinion very strongly that
Medicine Hat would not dictate
neither would they be dictated
too. Further they wished to
handle their own business in
their own way, and at the
same time standing ready to
co-operate with any other Dis-
trict or districts in matters of
general interest.

In Section II, Clause 1, of the

Constitution re "Qualifica-
tion of Candidate" the words bond-
holders were crossed out.

The convention was also
strongly in favor of the policy
known as the "closed door" but
"one door," that of individual
membership.

The following officers were
elected for 1920: President, C.
H. Harris, Oyen; Vice Pres., H.
C. McDaniel, Whittle; Sec. Treas.
P. LaMarsh, Winnifred. Direc-
tors and Associate Directors:
Div. 1, L. Proudfoot and Mrs.
Kay Anderson; Div. 2, H. E.
Francis and Mrs. E. C. Hall-
man; Div. 3, P. H. Wedderburn
and Mrs. Ernest Dodd; Div. 4,
C. E. Henry and Mrs. Conquer-
good; Div. 5, J. J. Evanson
and Paul Carr.

Medicine Hat was also much
in evidence at the big U. F. A.
Convention which was held
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
and Friday of same week, hav-
ing approximately 180 of the
1361 delegates present from the
12 constituencies.

Among those attending the
convention as delegates are
many promising men as leaders
and speakers. A few of these
are: Perin Baker, P. LaMarsh,
Mr. Henry, Ernest Dodd, J. J.
Evanson, Wm. Hatton.

These men are all forceful
speakers and bid fair to make
their mark where the farmers
are taking their proper share of
the responsibility of running
this great country.—con.

Farmer's Column

Bonnie Brier Local

Mr. E. R. Sparks is spending
the winter in Montreal. Mr.
J. E. Ash in the meantime is
playing cribbage, breaking ice,
visiting and having one glori-
ous time.

Dr. Robertson of Alaska re-
ports that all political activi-
ties have finally re-
turned. He intends announc-
ing formally at an early date,
the formation of a political
club. Only requirement for
membership will be ability to
talk quietly for five minutes on
some political topic.

Mrs. C. B. Arneson is back
from Calgary and is recovering
nicely from an operation which
she underwent while there.

R. H. Francis and C. G. Van-
Sickle have not as yet complet-
ed their winter job of cleaning
grain.

Is L. G. Chapman a candidate

for Counsellor? Just ask L. G.

Pete Ernest and Jack Young
attended the U. F. A. meeting
Wednesday afternoon. That's
right, boys, a shoulder to the
wheel.

Ben Hubele is busy this week
on the schoolhouse piano, dance
announcement will follow later.

Mr. F. E. G. Brown has been
seen several times of late upon
the local trails. Are we going
to farm, Frank?

Forced into uniform, forced
to accept an honorable dis-
charge, and now forced to ac-
cept exemption from the pay-
ment of certain municipal tax-
es, such is the sad lot of one of
our young farmers. Too bad.

Fifteen two, fifteen four and
eight are twelve. Yes, every-
one's doing it and they are all
at the undisputed champion.

"The Medicine Hat Comedian"
is anxiously awaiting an offer
from the Pantages management
of Calgary. No "moonshine"
there, Dad.

Florence and Emily Brown
are attending the Alaskan school
this winter.

New Banking Laws

Requested by West

That the federal government
provide for a more elastic sys-
tem of banking laws or an
amendment must be secured to
the British North America act
giving the province jurisdiction
in banking legislation was the
contention of Hon. W. F. A.
Turgeon, attorney-general, in
the Sask. legislature. He
was speaking on the legal as-
pects of the reference made by
a private member to the resolu-
tion of 1916, which asked the
federal government to change
the banking system to enable
the formation of agricultural

banks.

W. T. Bodger, of Rosetown
suggested that local banks be
organized, financed through the
security of Victory bonds, mil-
lions of dollars worth of which
were owned by Saskatchewan
farmers, the provincial govern-
ment to be a shareholder to
say, the extent of fifty per cent



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Thin and Weak	6.00 to 8.00	4.00 to 6.00	3.00 to 4.00	2.00 to 3.00

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U.F.A. Lay Many Resolutions Before the Provincial Govt.

One of the results of the recent U.F.A. Convention is the presenting of fifty-three resolutions by the executive committee of the association to the provincial government. These resolutions will have a direct influence on Alberta legislation.

A plebiscite is asked for on the manufacture and importation of liquor in accordance with the terms of the Canada temperance act. Legislation is asked for the creating of a highways commission. That the maximum for hail insurance be raised from \$8 to \$10 per acre. That the government assume responsibility for the education of all children of the province both in organized and unorganized districts, for this purpose all funds be taxed at their true valuation that the cost of education may be borne equally in rural districts.

A resolution carried by the convention asks that rural municipalities be urged to give the guarantees of the rural credits act required by the banks to get the act into operation, and another urges the Alberta government to put the farm mortgage loan act into operation without delay. The division of the province into districts for hail insurance pur-

poses, following in a general way the lines of the districts of the commercial hail insurance companies will also be urged upon the government.

In connection with railway matters there are a few resolutions to be discussed with the cabinet. One of these asks that steel be laid on the E. D. and B. C. railway, from Spirit river to the B. C. boundary at the earliest possible date, that the conditions of the road be improved, that it be continued to the Pacific coast at an early date, and that steel be laid on the Canada central grade from Peace River to Waterhole. The rapid completion of the Lloydminster - Bruleheim branch. Speedy construction of the C.N.R. to Grande Prairie district, of the C.N.R. from Manitoba to Drumheller, of the C.P.R. from Empress to Coramotion, of the C.N.R. from Hanna to Warden, are among the resolutions laid before the provincial government.

VERY TRUE

"The papers are afraid to say anything," sneered the first citizen.

"Some people don't feel that way about it," replied the other. "Ever run for office?"

"No; but I wrote a letter roasting some fellows that

needed roasting, and the paper didn't print a line."

"Did you sign your name?"

"Certainly not, D'y'se think I'm a chump?"

BIG PROFITS

Profits taken from the people of Alberta in 1919 from the sale of liquor for "medicinal" purposes totaled \$2,351,827 at the very minimum calculation.

This estimate, and there is very little doubt that the actual figures are considerably higher, is based on statistics which the attorney-general's department is preparing for the coming session of the legislature.

These Profits are divided as follows:

Profit by Alberta government 400,000.

Profit by physicians, 1,131,769.

Profit by druggists, \$2,147.

Total, 2,351,827.

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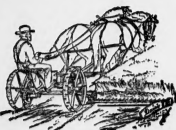
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Grain Prices

AT EMPRESS, Thursday, Feb. 12

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Flax 4.40	Oats .76	
Barley 1.28	Rye 1.40	

Ash Wednesday Feb 13

The masquerade dance is
postponed to Wednesday, March
17.

Mrs. R. Kunst, of Social
Plains, is visiting with friends
in town.

J. Kirner, is visiting with
friends and relatives in the
States.

J. Millwin returned Wednes-
day evening from a trip to
Swift Current.

Get your typewriter supplies
printed stationery, counter
check books, etc. from the Fin-
niss Express.

Mrs. Herb. Dencrest is very
sick as a result of getting
around too early after an at-
tack of influenza.

A private telephone was in-
stalled this week at the resi-
dence of Dr. MacCharles by the
Provincial Board of Health.

The MacKenzie & Mann store
at Canbur was destroyed by
fire on Tuesday of this week.
The loss is estimated at \$8,000.

A number of our citizens who
have been suffering from the
"flu," have now reached the
convalescent stage.

J. Fries, left on Friday last
for Prelate, having been sum-
moned home on account of the
sickness of his father. He re-
turned Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Brodie
made a trip to Swift Current
on Friday last returning on
Saturday night's train.

J. Curran, left for Medicine
Hat, on Saturday, he expects
to be accompanied by his wife,
when he returns, and they will
take up their residence here.

Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Aston and
family are reported as being
among those most seriously
sick with the "flu," of our citi-
zens.

A petition is being passed
around locally for signers to be
presented to the Imperial Lum-
ber Co., asking for the rein-
statement of C. W. Hayes, on
their staff.

Mrs. G. M. Johnston, returned
on Monday from Medicine Hat,
and was accompanied by her
mother, Mrs. R. D. Smith, of
Medicine Hat, who is visiting
with her here.

Word has been received from
the C.P.R. that they are wil-
ling to make a property adjust-
ment with local ratepayers on
the lines as proposed by the
Board of Trade. The offer of
the Company remains good
until June 30.

The Alaska town council
made a grant of \$500, to their
local agricultural society at a
recent meeting of the board.
The Society is also approaching
the neighboring municipalities
for monetary assistance for the
holding of their agricultural fair.

Sickness has played havoc
with the local curling enthusi-
asm. No games are now being
played. It is advisable under
these circumstances, that a
meeting of the club's members
should be arranged for as soon
as possible, to decide what pol-
icy is to be pursued.

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